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STANDARDS

BOARD

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Office Hours

Beginning Tuesday, November 12, the IPSB office will be open 8:30 am to 5:00 pm on Monday to Friday. This change (opening a half hour later and putting that time at the end of the day) is to be available when customers make inquiries, usually at the end of the school day. The office is closed weekends and state holidays.

Board Meeting and Planning Session

The IPSB will be reviewing goals and developing an action plan through 2006 to achieve those goals. The first planning session is scheduled to begin at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, November 19 in Training Room 5 at the Indiana Government Center South. The planning session will continue on Wednesday, November 20 at 8:30 am in the conference room of the Indiana Development Finance Authority on the 9th floor at One North Capitol. The board meeting will follow at 12:30 pm at the same location.

The Executive Committee will meet at 8:30 am on Tuesday, November 19 in the large conference room of the IPSB office at 101 West Ohio, Suite 300. An orientation for new board members will follow that meeting at 10:00 am.

The board will meet for dinner at Buca di Beppo in downtown Indianapolis at 6:30 pm on Tuesday evening.

Did You Know?

Section 207 in Title II of the Higher Education Act, as amended, requires each state receiving funding under the Act to report annually on the quality of teacher preparation in the state. This report includes:

- **Standards** for teachers and their alignment with standards for students
- **Requirements** for an initial teaching certificate or license through either an alternate or regular route
- Pass rates on each assessment used by states in certifying or licensing teachers
- State **standards** for evaluating the performance of teacher preparation programs
- Teachers in the classroom on **waivers**, that is, teaching without an initial regular certificate or license from any state

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• State efforts in the past year to improve the quality of teaching.
The 2002 report for Indiana is available at http://www.title2.org/title2dr/StateHome.asp

If Indiana students are to achieve high standards, there must be competent, caring, qualified educators to get them there.